



OPI 21st Century Community Learning Center

WEEKLY UP DATES

Date: October 22, 2012

Don't forget to check out our OPI web page for updates and resources!!!!



Current Events:

We will be sending out **Regional Network Surveys** to get feedback from everyone who participated in the regions in past years. In addition, The Regional Network Chairpersons will receive a self-assessment survey. We hope to use the information gathered to continue and enhance the regional network system. The surveys will be coming to you via the "Monkey Survey".

On October 23, 2012 there was a **CS Mott afterschool network meeting** in Helena at the School Administrators Building, at 900 North Montana Avenue. The meeting began at 10:00 AM. Updates on the meeting will be sent out.

The **handbook** had a conference call on October 22, 2012 to discuss the development of a 3-tier handbook covering program start-up, activity development, and sustainability. If you are interested in helping develop these handbooks, please contact Mary Ellen Earnhardt.

Reporting Updates

The next reporting **webinar** will be on Monday, October 29, 2012 at 9:00 AM. The subject will be Adding Courses and Adding Students to courses. Amanda will send out the webinar information later this week.

Program Highlights

Valley View School has a **LIGHTS ON EVENT** Monday October 14, 2012 from 4-6 pm. We are painting ceramic bowls to auction for the community pool for Polson. Twelve students and parents have signed up so far. The small fee (some of it paid by the after school program) also buys a ticket for the community dinner and auction in November. County art teachers, parents, teachers, local restaurants and students... all aboard! –Mary Sale, Coordinator, Valley View After School Club

Professional Development

Webinar:

[Attendance Matters: How Expanded Learning Opportunitites Keep Kids in School](#)

Report:

Afterschool In Action: How Innovative Afterschool Programs Address Critical Issues Facing Middle School Youth: www.afterschoolalliance.org/documents/MetLife-Compendium.pdf

Activity IDEA

10 Innovative Nature-Centric Projects & Programs for Your Students:

<http://www.childrenandnature.org/newsletter/news10.11.2012.html>